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MEMORANDUM FOR DR. LAURENCE E. LYNN, NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL, WHITE HOUSE

Subject: Memorandum from Mr. Frank H. Perez, Department of State, on the Technological Consequences of a MIRV Flight Ban, dated 23 July 1969

1. I do not have available a complete final copy of the subject report, with changes, as delivered to Dr. Kissinger. From the best information available, it appears that certain information reflecting my views may not be included in the final document. Accordingly, I would like to apprise you of the JCS representative's views on the MIRV Panel report; I believe that the report would reflect the JCS representative's views more fully if the proposed changes were made. I would appreciate your assuring that these comments are available to Dr. Kissinger while he is on the current trip.

JCS review completed.

2. Proposed changes:

Page 6, first full paragraph beginning with "In connection ..."; add after second sentence:

"The JCS representative believes that MIRV development could be conducted by dispensing multiple payloads in space orbits. Therefore, an effective MIRV test ban must also include a ban on dispensing multiple payloads in space orbits. The impact of such a ban is discussed in Section IV." ^{25X1}

Page 15, delete the second full paragraph and replace with:

GROUP 1 Excluded from Automatic Downgrading

and Declassification

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HANDLE VIA

TALENT-KEYHOLE

CONTROL SYSTEM ONLY ^{25X1}

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Annex C, page C-3, numbered paragraph 3, delete the asterisk following the word "tests" and delete the footnote on that page.

Annex D, page D-1, first paragraph; add footnote to this paragraph:

"The JCS representative believes that the data contained in TAB D has not been examined in sufficient technical depth. There remains considerable disagreement in the technical community on what the existing ABM capabilities of various SAMs are and what the possibilities for conversion to a more effective ABM might be. In general, this entire matter requires more study."

Annex D, page D-5, first full paragraph (2.c.), add after last sentence:

"The JCS representative does not concur. The SA-2 has some limited capability against single RVs without penaids, and considering the extensive deployment of this system, its overall potential effectiveness as an ABM may present a threat which cannot be dismissed without further technical study."

cc: Mr. Frank Perez, Dept of State


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